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The bite of a genetically altered spider granted high-school student Peter Parker incredible arachnid-like powers! When a burglar killed his beloved Uncle Ben, a grief-stricken Peter vowed to use his amazing abilities to protect his fellow man. He learned the invaluable lesson that with great power there must also come great responsibility!

Now the fledgling super hero tries to balance a full high school curriculum, a night job as a web designer for the Daily Bugle tabloid, a relationship with the beautiful Mary Jane Watson, and swing time as the misunderstood, web-slinging Spider-Man!



PREVIOUSLY IN ULTIMATE SPIDER-MAN...

Peter Parker and MJ have gotten back together, leaving his troubled relationship with Kitty Pryde, of the world-famous X-Men, in shambles. Even worse, Kitty now attends their school – and is in their class!

Spider-Man has had several life-altering confrontations with the notorious Norman Osborn, a.k.a. the Green Goblin and the father of his once best friend, Harry.

Norman and other villains, including Electro, escaped imprisonment in the Triskelion, the former home of the world’s premier super team, the Ultimates. Norman ran to the press and told the world he was illegally arrested and detained by Nick Fury, the head of S.H.I.E.L.D. (who is now away on a top secret assignment), and that his son and company were taken away from him for no reason.

Peter, after getting MJ and Aunt May to go into hiding, went looking for Osborn. He instead bumped into and took down Electro—but was then taken into custody by S.H.I.E.L.D.!

Spider-Man discovered he wasn’t in trouble, but was being used as bait to lure Osborn by acting S.H.I.E.L.D. Director Carol Danvers... but that didn’t stop Kitty from attempting to rescue him from the Triskelion. When Carol Danvers discovered that Osborn wasn’t taking the bait, she convinced Spidey and Kitty to help them take Osborn down.

A subsequent penthouse battle against Osborn knocked Spidey and the Goblin out the window and headed towards the New York pavement below.

Too bad Spidey is out of web fluid!

DEATH OF A GOBLIN PART 5

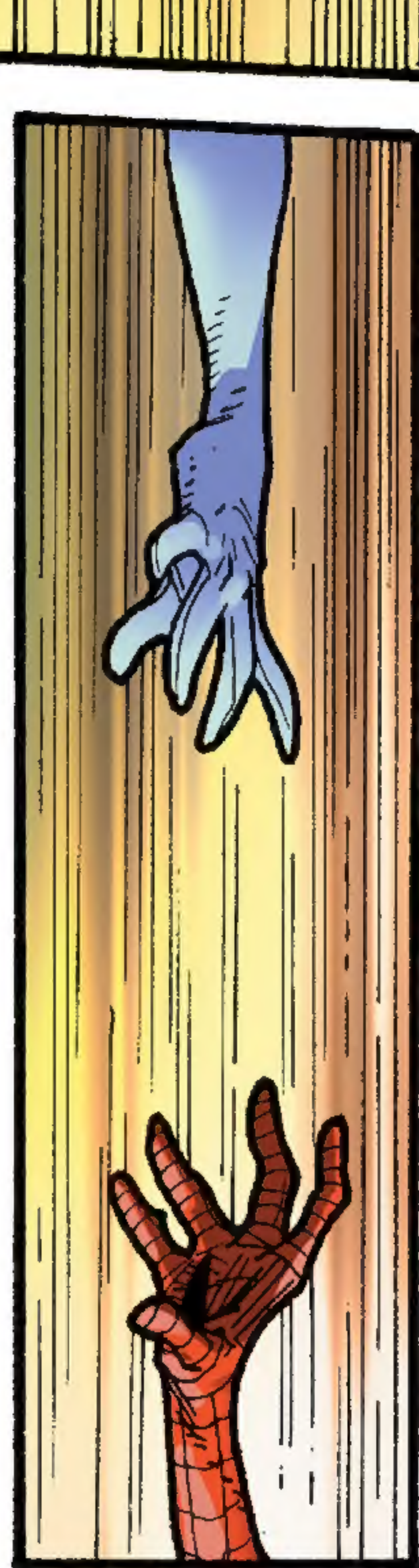
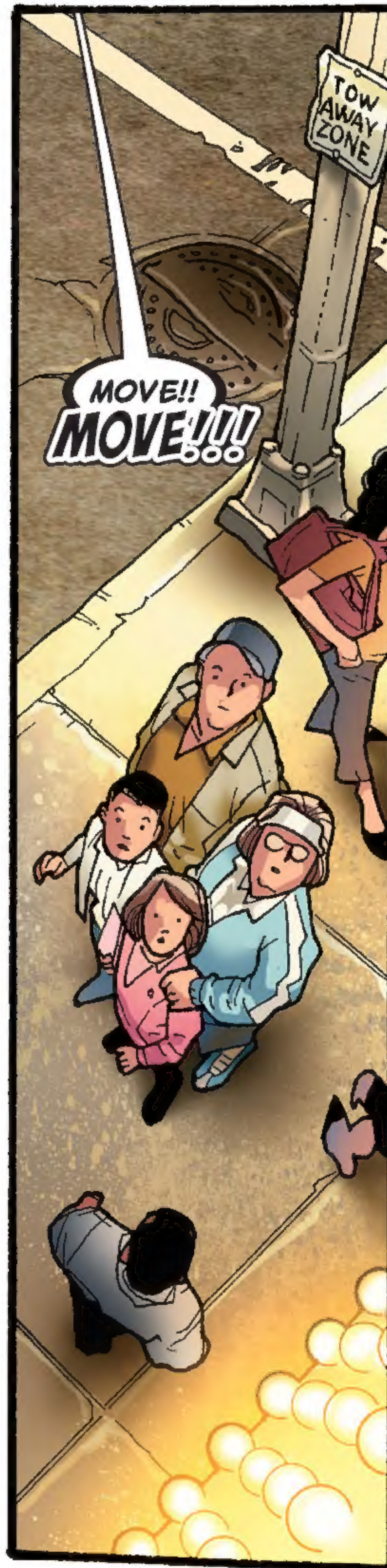
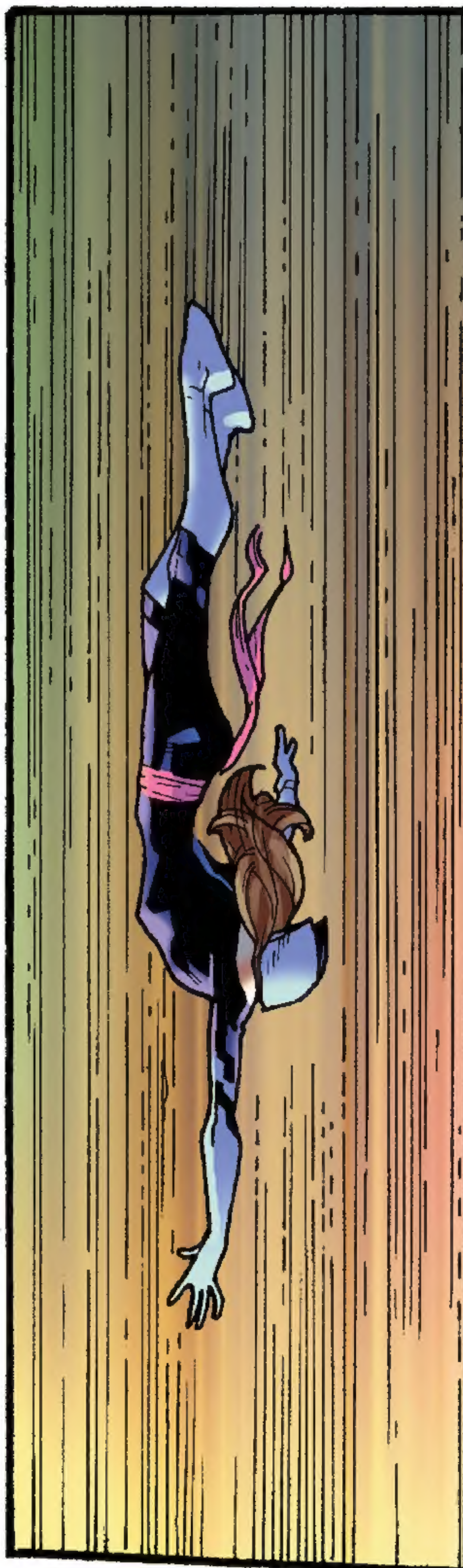
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What's that
smell?

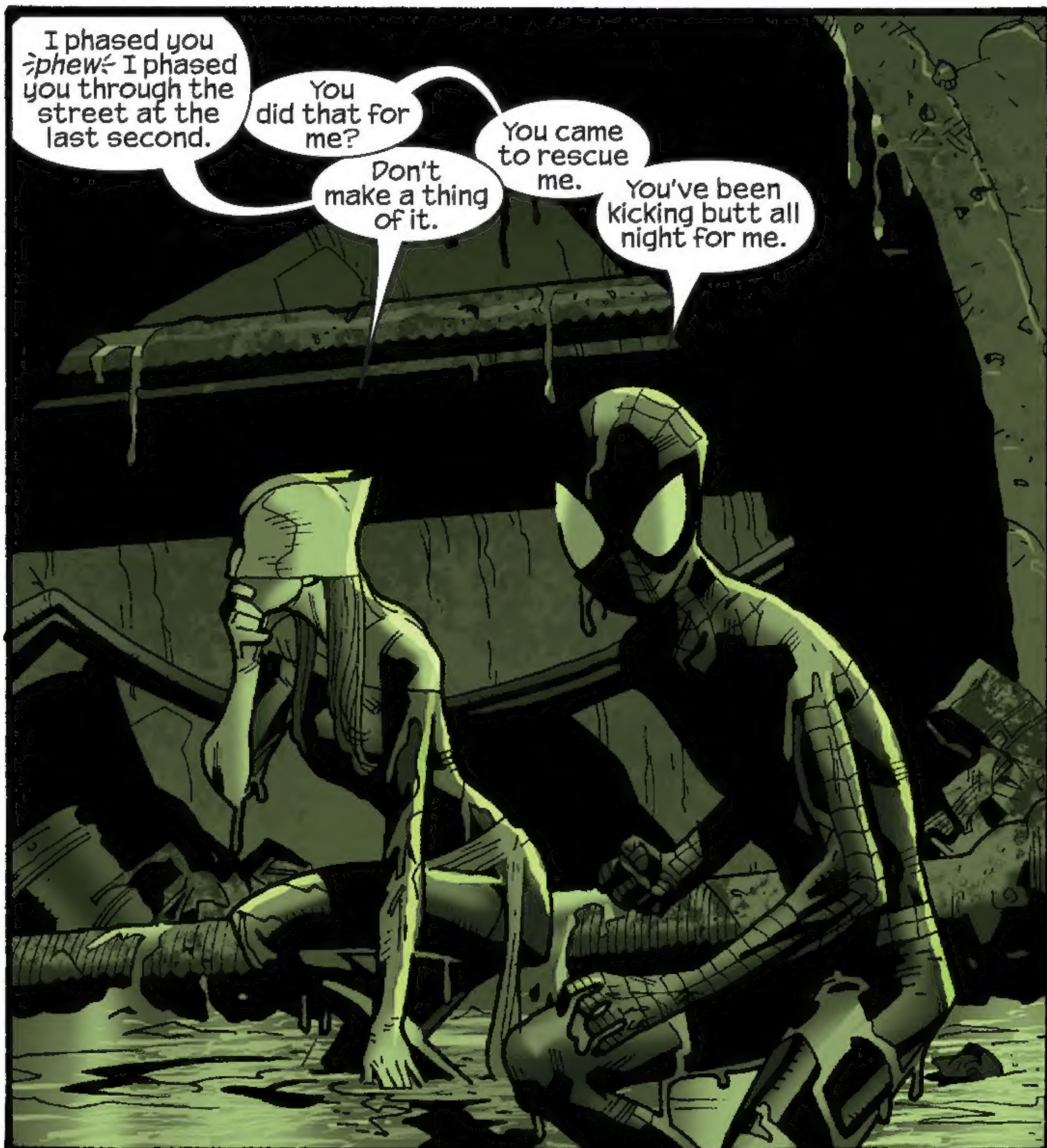


That
would be
us.

Are we
dead?

We're in
the sewer
underneath
the street.

We're not
dead? Because
I smell dead.



I phased you
~~phew~~ I phased
you through the
street at the
last second.

You
did that for
me?

Don't
make a thing
of it.

You came
to rescue
me.

You've been
kicking butt all
night for me.



Let's just
go up there and
beat the holy
green snot out
of Osborn.

Hold
on.



WHOA!!

Whoa
you!!

On- on
the ground!!

On the
ground? We're
in the ground.

DOWN ON THE
GROUND!!! Hands
in the air!!

Where's
Osborn??

Dude!!
I'm phasing
right now!!

Which means
that if you *shoot* at
us, you'll be shooting
through me and at your
pal *behind me...and*
vice versa.

Weren't we
agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
like *two seconds*
ago??

Weapons
down!!
Osborn!

We want
Osborn!



Where
is he?

That's a *very*
good question!!
Where *is* he??

He- he
crashed, Agent
Danvers.

Director
Danvers. Yes,
and...???

And he flew
over there. He-
he bounced.

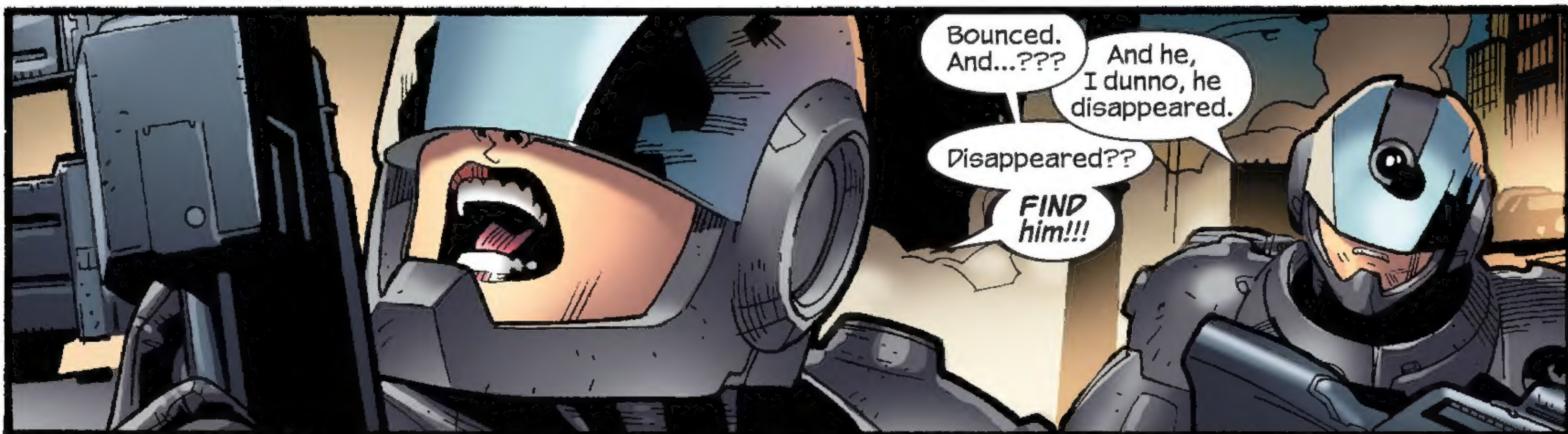


Bounced.
And...???

And he,
I dunno, he
disappeared.

Disappeared??

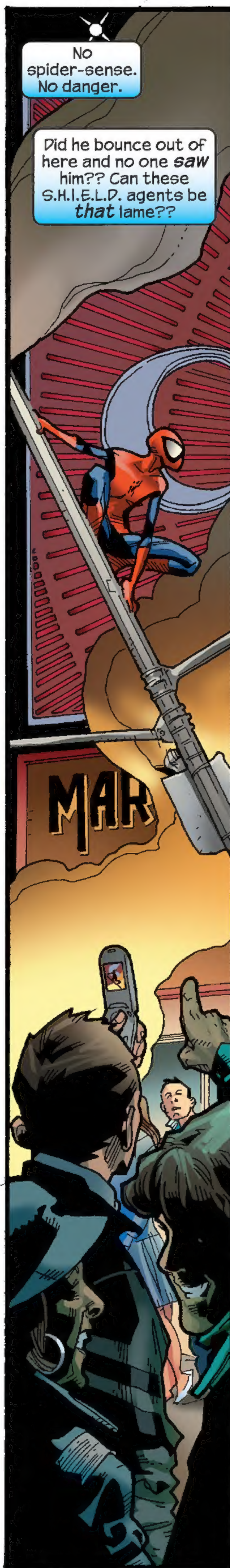
**FIND
him!!!**





Where is he??

One minute he's there and the next he isn't??



No spider-sense. No danger.

Did he bounce out of here and no one saw him?? Can these S.H.I.E.L.D. agents be that lame??



Eye in the sky, this is Director Danvers!

We lost Osborn. Do you have an energy signature trail starting at Trump Tower?

This is the Trisk- we- we have nothing.

Nothing??

He's not using his powers.

We can only trail him on his energy signature.



It stops right where you're standing.

We're looking at you on satellite now.

I'm not looking for me!!!

You know what?

Let's go.

Oh! Okay.



Excuse me??

We're leaving.

I need your help!!



You had it!!

And then you put me in jail and dangled me in front of Osborn like a carrot and still I helped you.

And then the second I turned my head you lost the bad guy!!

Oh, and you used up all my web fluid being a wise guy and if I had it I would have been able to avoid, well...



ALL OF THIS!!!



Where are you going? He's out there!!

We're going home.

We have school in four hours.

But Osborn...



If I see him, I promise...

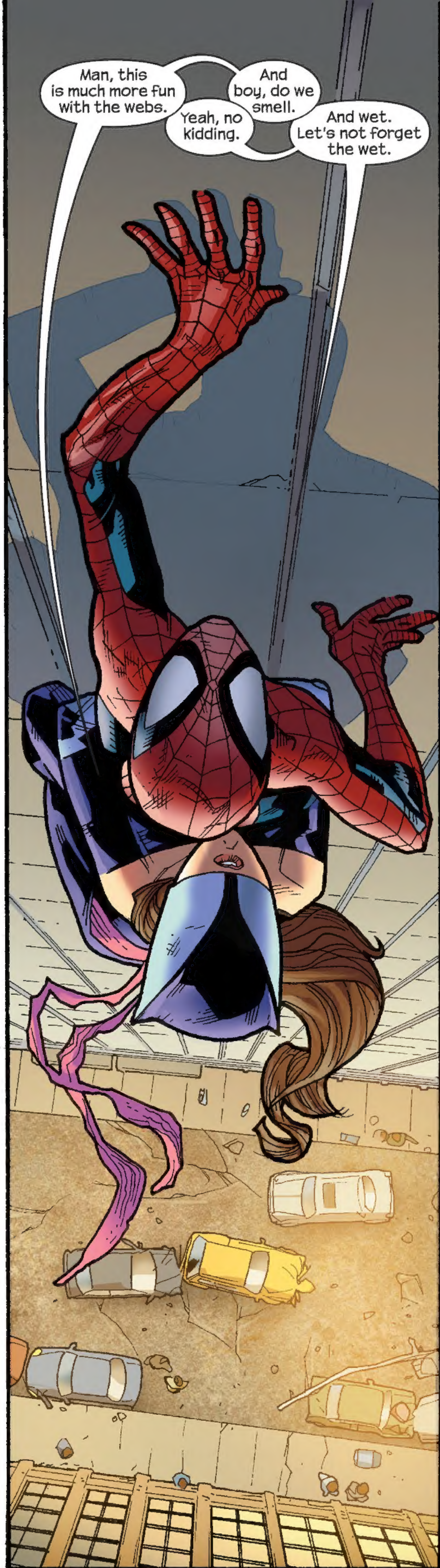
I'll wait for Nick Fury to get back to the planet Earth and I'll call him.

Ouch.

Shall we?



There're more carrots where that came from...

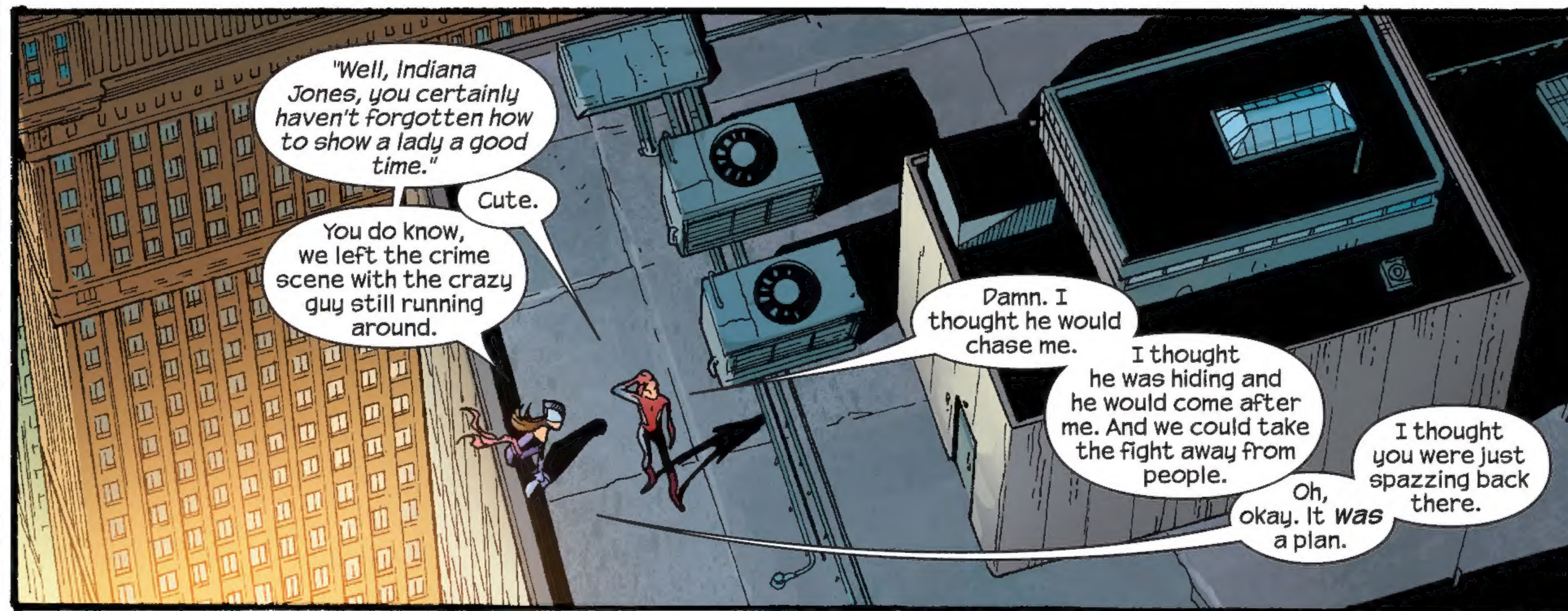


Man, this is much more fun with the webs.

And boy, do we smell.

Yeah, no kidding.

And wet. Let's not forget the wet.



"Well, Indiana Jones, you certainly haven't forgotten how to show a lady a good time."

Cute.

You do know, we left the crime scene with the crazy guy still running around.

Damn. I thought he would chase me.

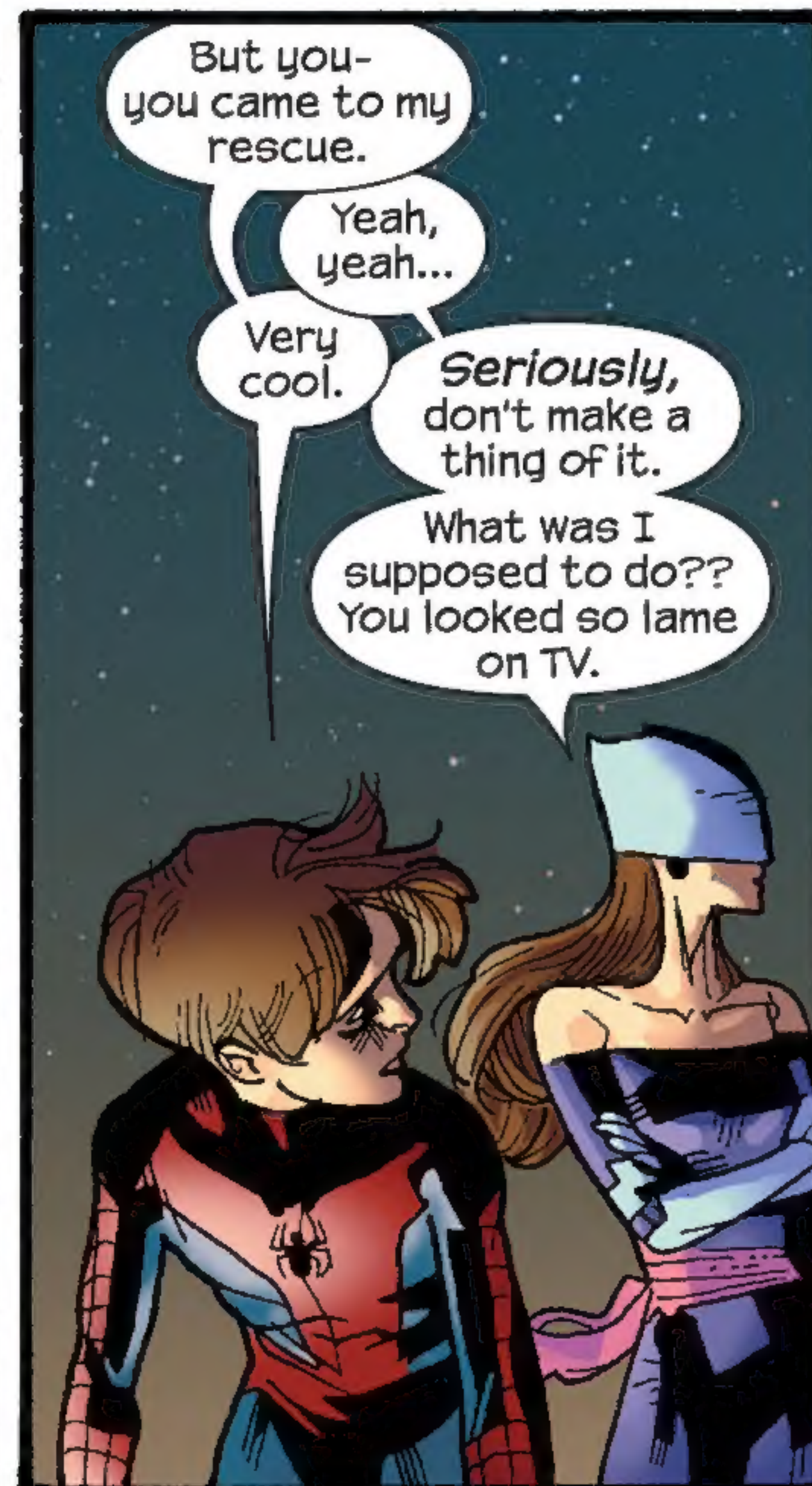
I thought he was hiding and he would come after me. And we could take the fight away from people.

Oh, okay. It was a plan.

I thought you were just spazzing back there.



A little of both.



But you-you came to my rescue.

Yeah, yeah... Very cool.

Seriously, don't make a thing of it.

What was I supposed to do?? You looked so lame on TV.



You know...

I'm *so* sorry we ended the way we did.



I know.



I really am.

You did *not* deserve that.

Okay. Enough...

But thank you.

I know.

I know.



Where's MJ? Aunt May? We should get them somewhere safe.

They *are* somewhere safe. Where? I don't know. But safe...

Okay.

Osborn. I am so *sick* of this guy.



You got somewhere to sleep tonight?



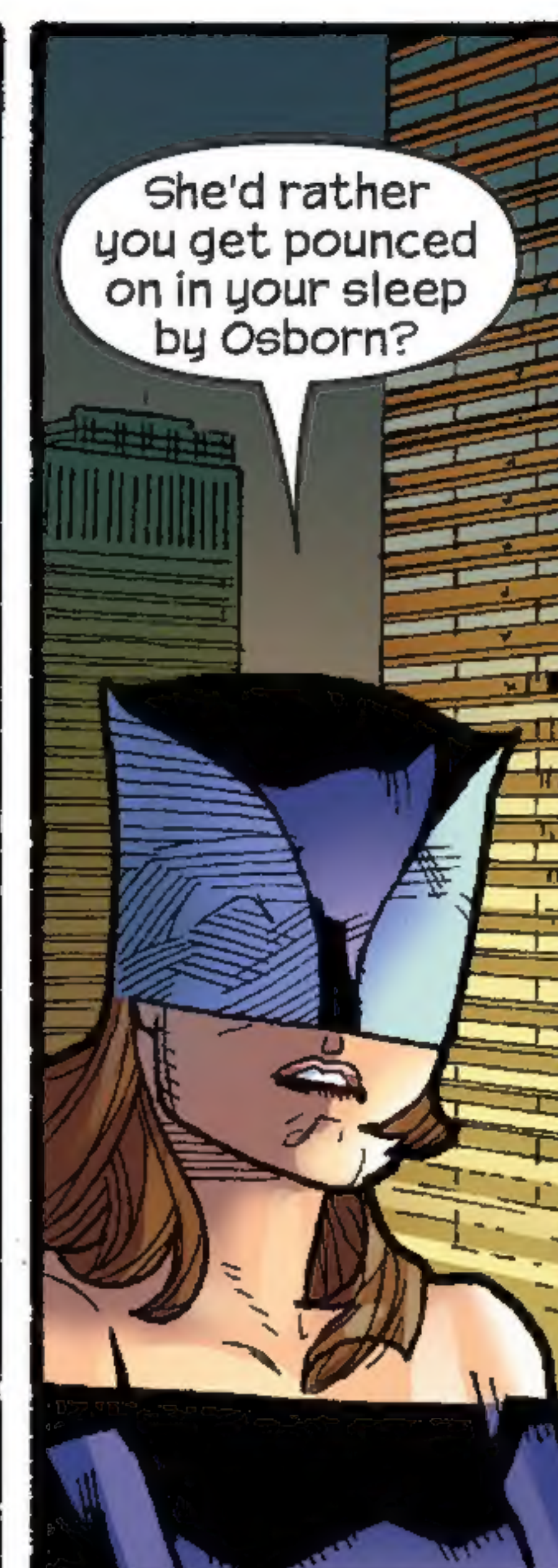
I'll sleep at home.

You want to sleep over?

Yeah, uh, no.

MJ isn't *that* cool.

No one is.



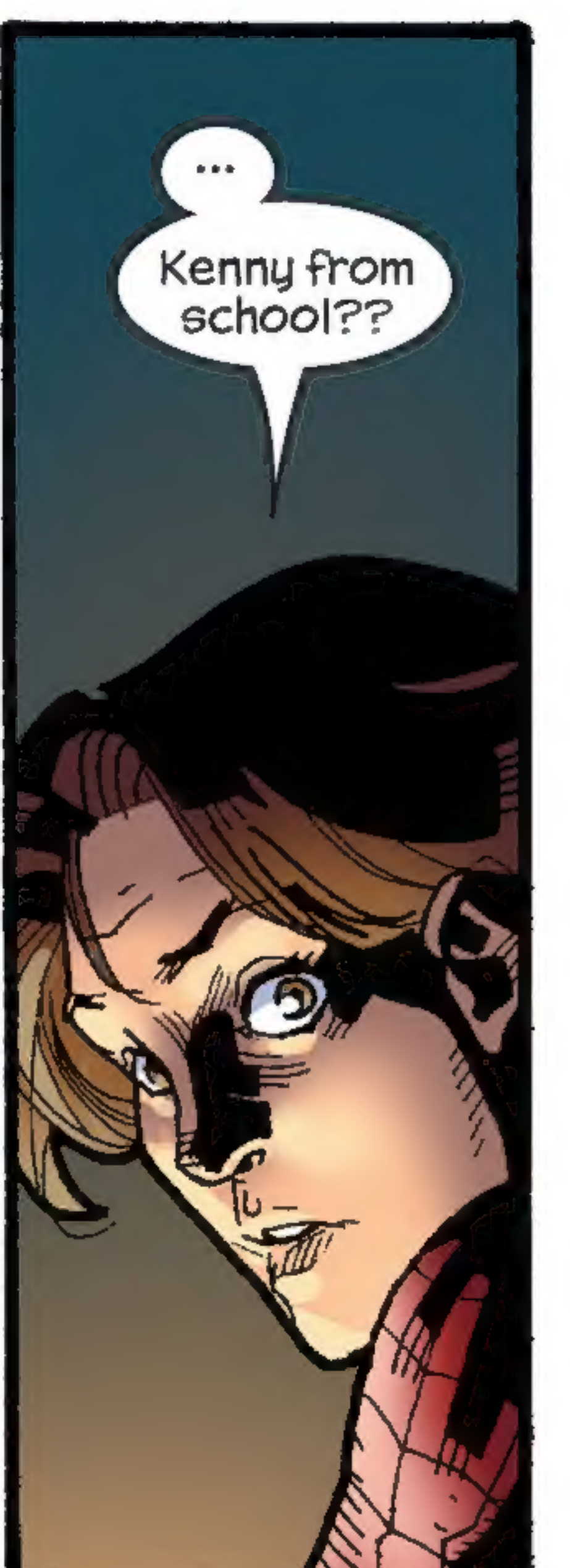
She'd rather you get pounced on in your sleep by Osborn?



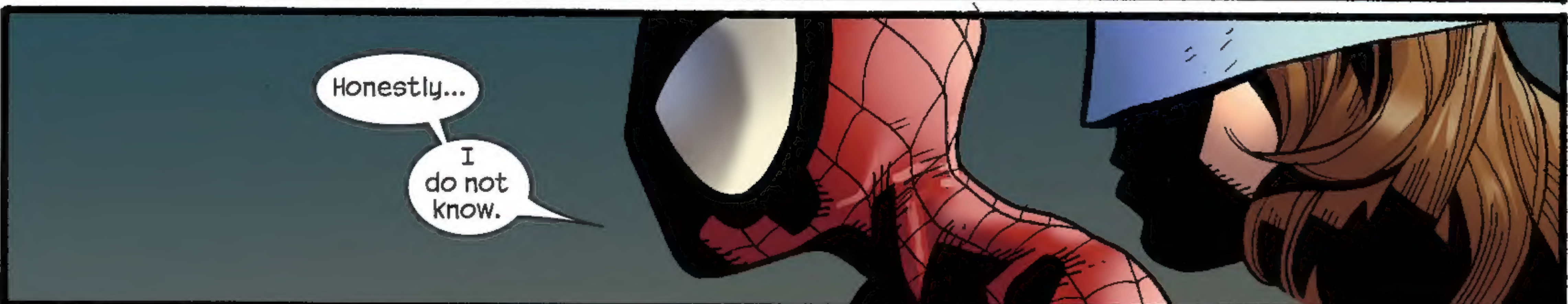
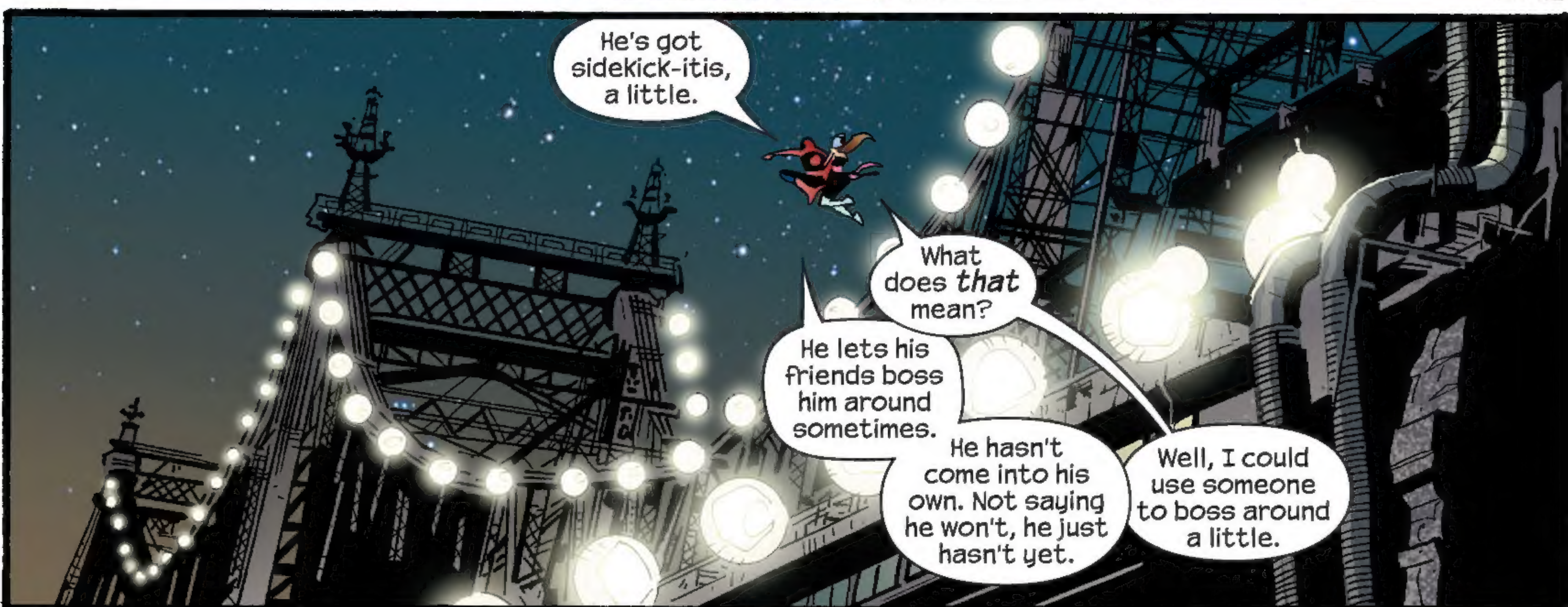
Let's not pull at that string...

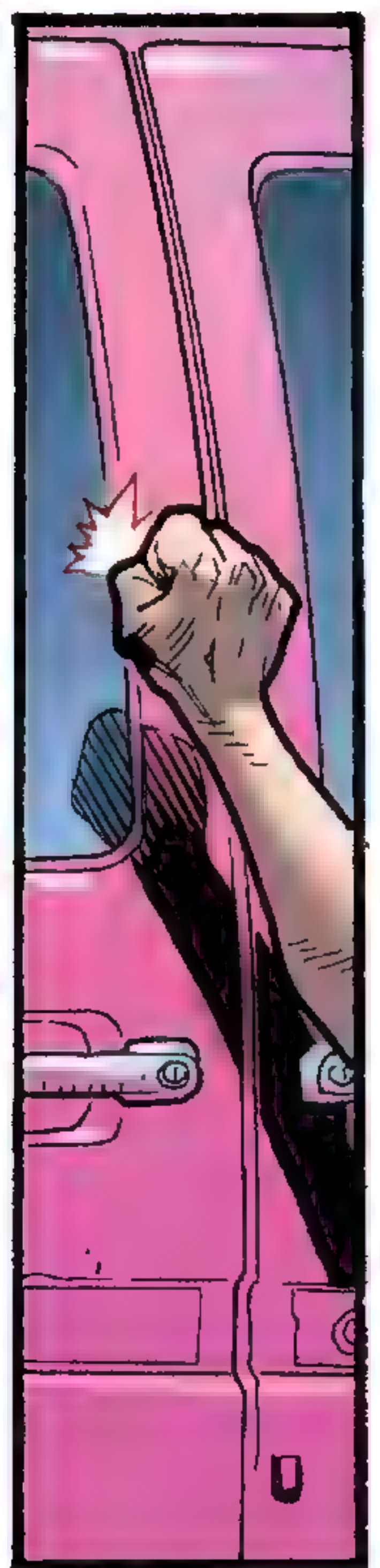
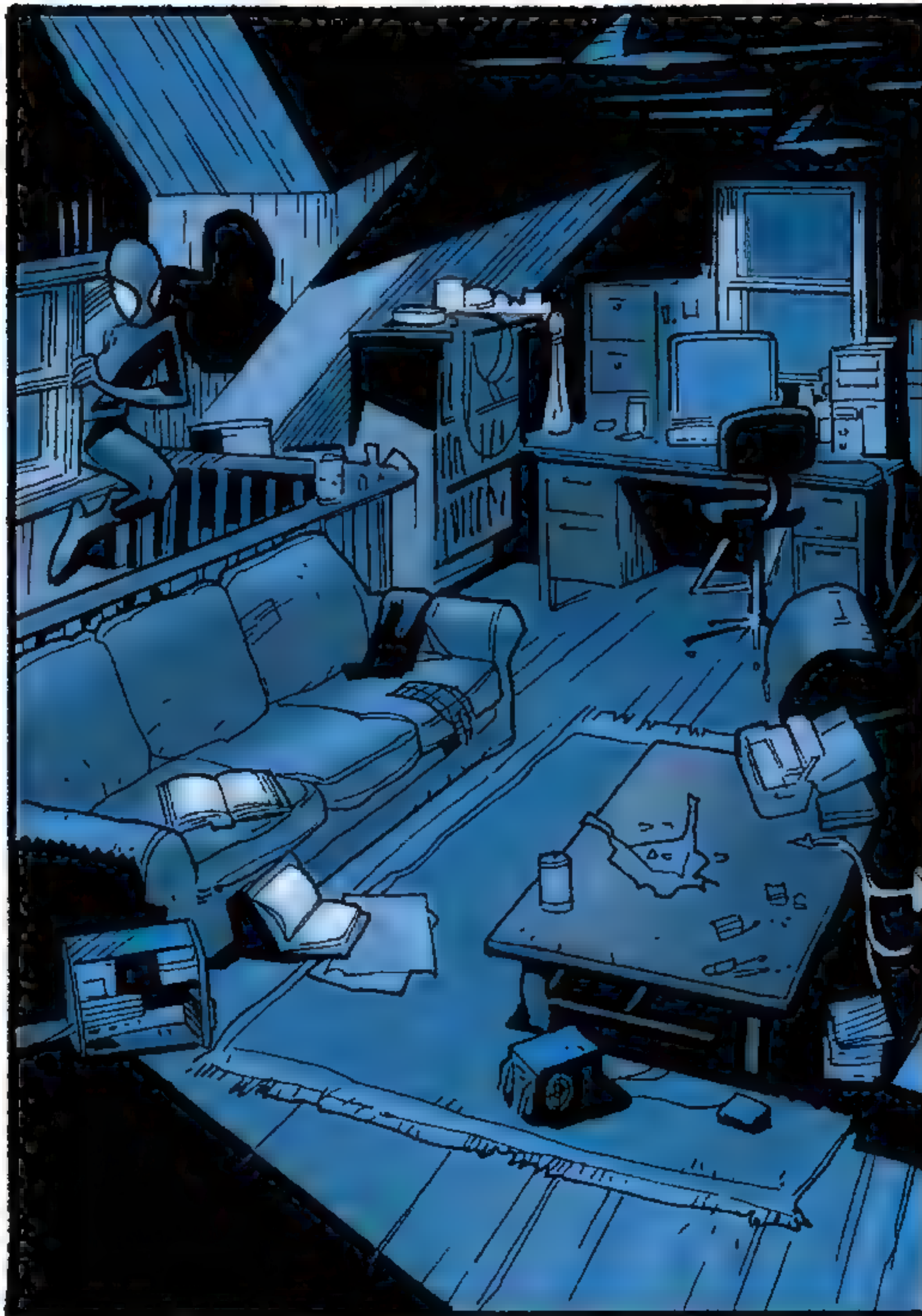
The entire sweater of my life will unravel.

I'm thinking about dating Kenny.



... Kenny from school??

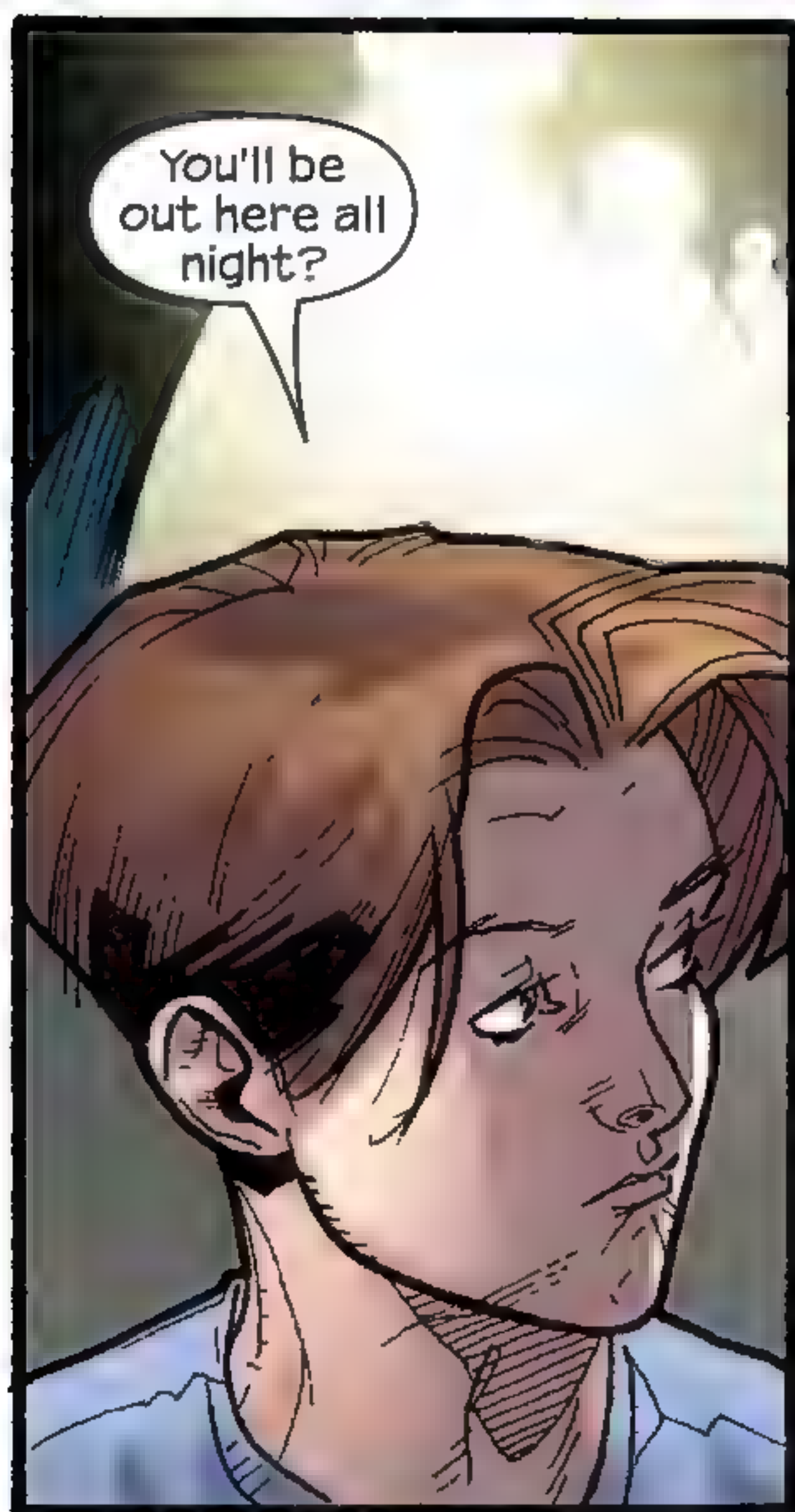






Uh, hi.
I thought
you might
want some
snacks.

Uh,
thanks.



You'll be
out here all
night?



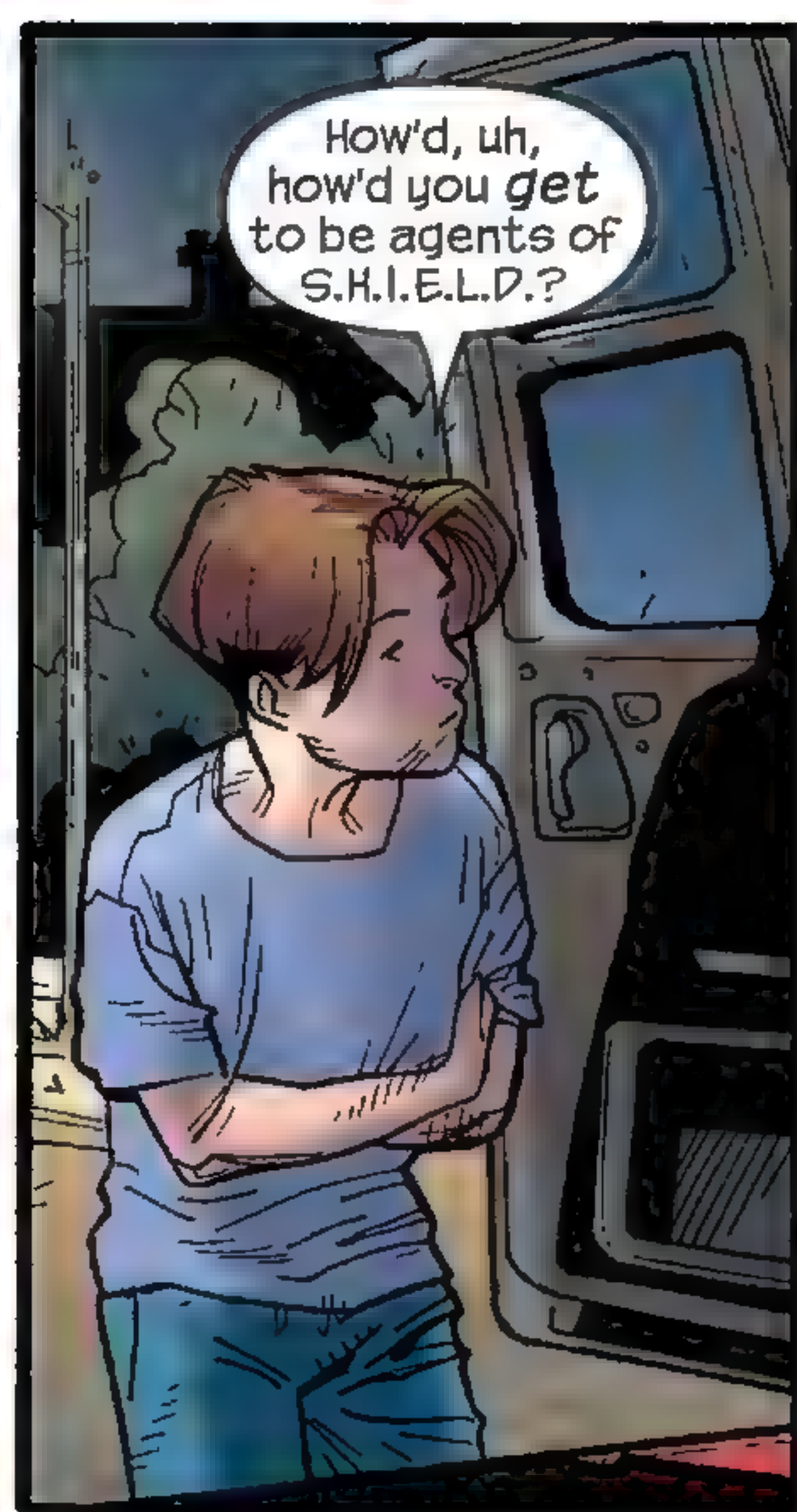
Uh,
yeah.

Cool van. Well,
at least I can get
some sleep.

Thanks.

We're big
fans of yours,
actually.

(That's really
unprofessional.)



How'd, uh,
how'd you *get*
to be agents of
S.H.I.E.L.D.?



Just
signed up.

Does it
pay well?

No. But you
get to see cool
things and the
pension's hot.

Cool
toys.



Hell
yeah, look
at this.

What
is it?

I have
no idea.

What?

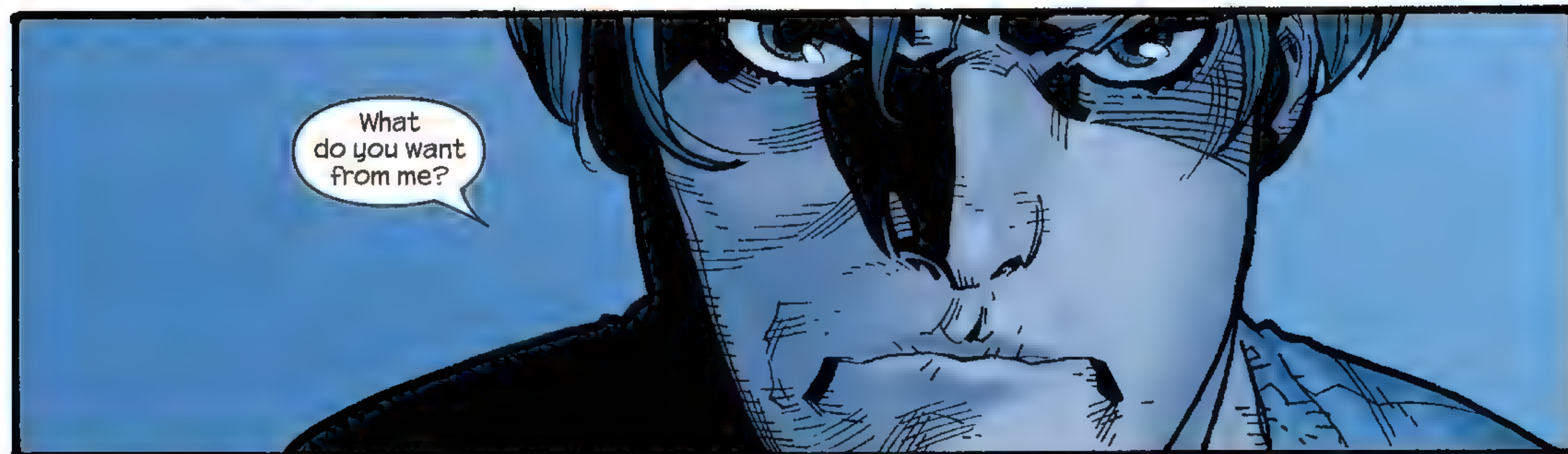
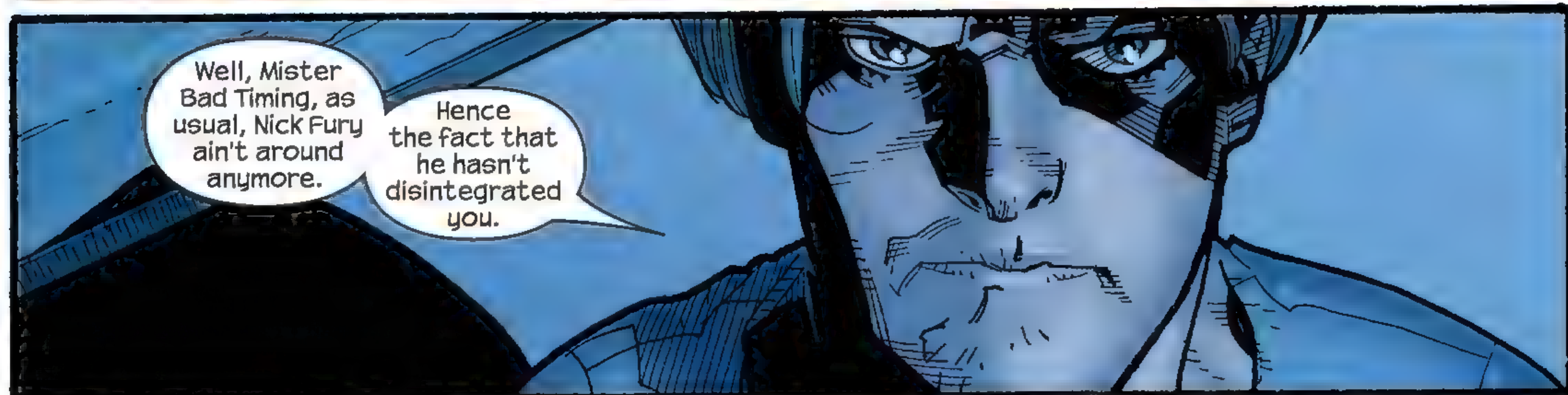


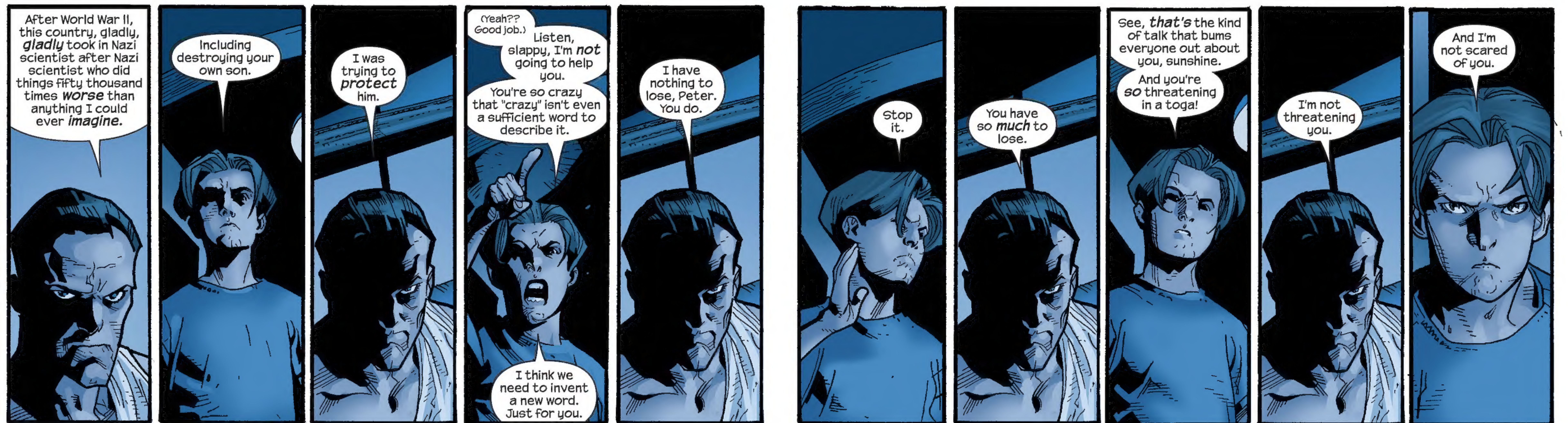
I'm
jokin' with
ya.

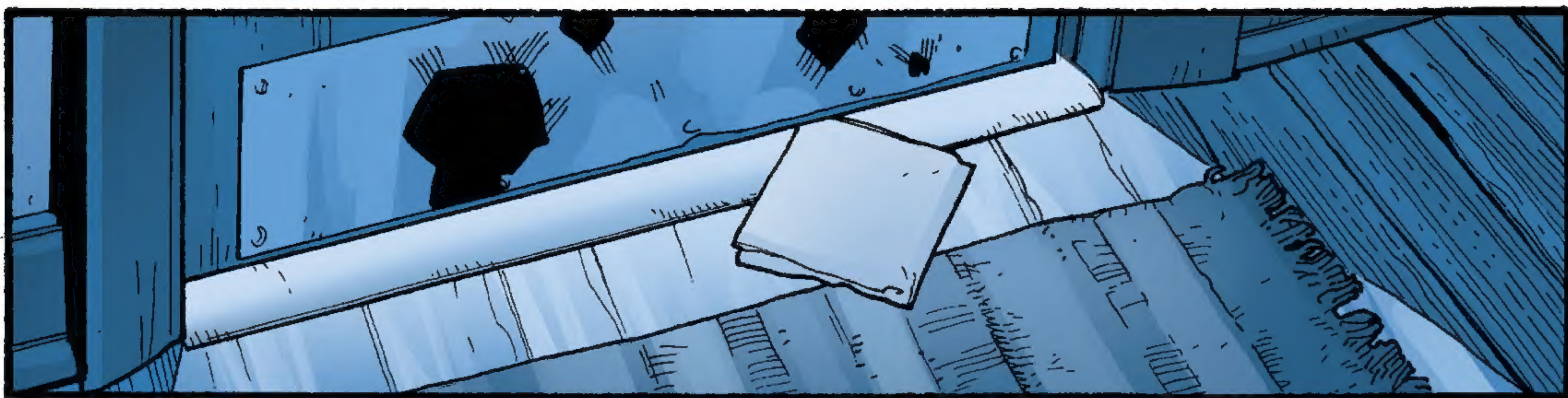
Stand
back.











It's important for the people of this city to know the truth...

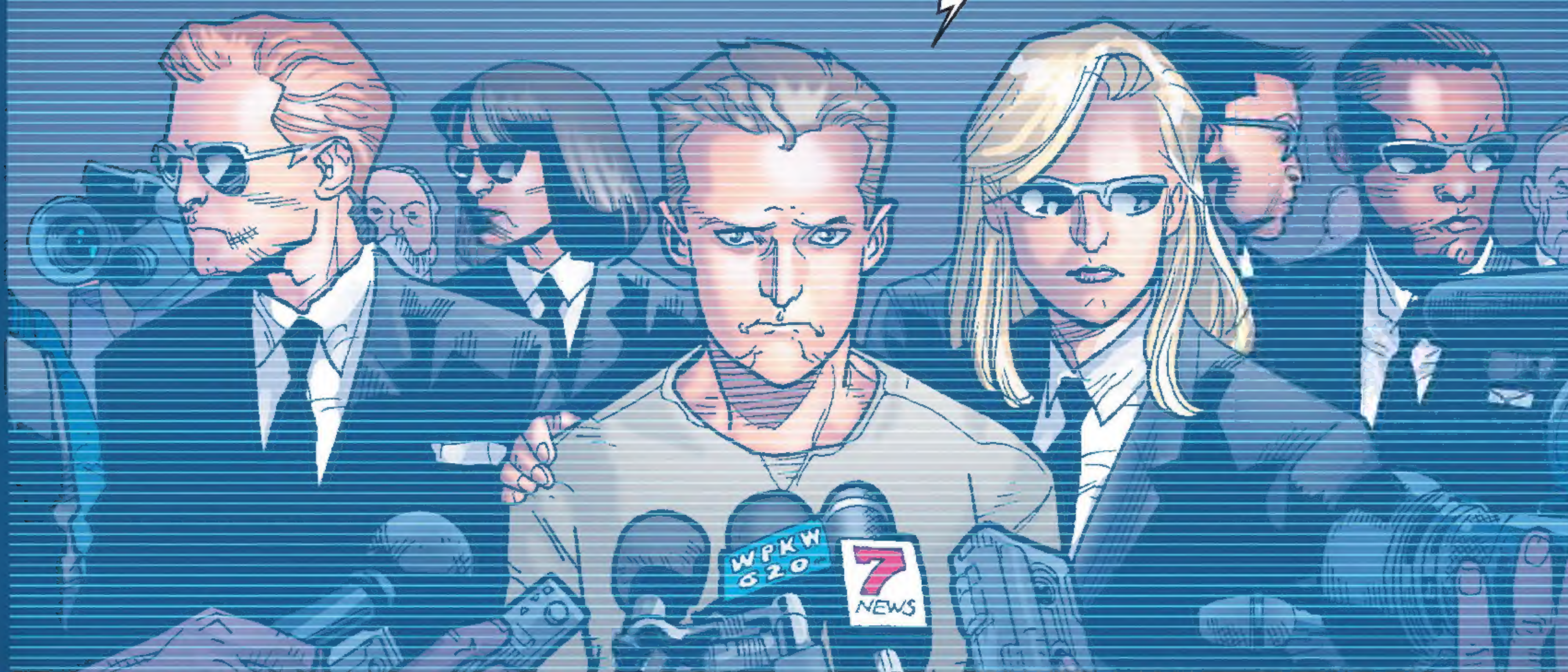
My father is a- a liar.

My father is a sick, sick man...

Deluded.

Um, and I know he's telling you people stories and stuff.

But he, uh, he killed my mommy.



Osborn press conference: Live from Triskelion in New York City. Harry Osborn, son of Norman Osborn, responds to father's public allegations...

I have to take these medicines now just to keep from changing.

Changing into what?

He- he made me into a monster.

He hurt me- he killed my mommy.

He- he's a monster.



To be continued...



SON OF

VULTURON